

XYII. (LXXXIY.)

The *ftiaht* is PEAJ!PATI the son of VICH;
the metre as before.

. 1. Flow, the exhilarator of the gods,
the far-
seeing, the giver of ^ater^ for ISDBA,
VABTOTA, and
VAYTT ; grant us this day wealth and
health ; call ¹
the celestial people ² on the spacious
ground (of the
sacrifice).

2. The immortal *Soma* who is stationed
upon, the
worlds, goes round about ³ them all ;
INDU, binding
and unloosing, accompanies (the
sacrifice) for its
protection, as the sun the dawn.⁴

3. The *Soma* who is created by the
(sun's) rays,
(and whom they place) in the herbs for
the gratifi-
cation of the gods, desiring to go (to
the gods),
taking wealth from (the foe), flows when
effused
in a brilliant stream, exhilarating INDKA
(and) the
people of heaven.⁵

¹ When the gods hear the *Soma* flow, they
come to the
sacrifice.

² Or, speak to the godly folk (*i.e.* me, the
rishi), saying
"*sddhu, tamIhaUa.*"

³ "*, «. protects.

* Sayana expands this thus: INDTT accompanies the
sacrifice
(sacrificer), connecting it (him) with the gods (the
desired end
— *-phalain*}, separating it (him) from the *Asuras*, etc.
(calamities),
as the sun for the protection (of sentient beings)
accompanies

_ the dawn? connecting it with Hgnt and
separating it fros
darkness.

⁵ Sayana takes *daivyam* with *Mram* "the lord
of the gods,"
overlooking *janam*.